

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 4: Line 1, change "one of the preceding claims" to
--claim 1--

REMARKS

The specification has been amended to provide a cross-reference to the previously filed International Application. An Abstract has been added due to it being omitted during the translation of the International Application. The claims have also been amended to delete multiple dependencies and to place the application into better form for examination. Entry of the present amendment and favorable action on the above-identified application are earnestly solicited.

If necessary, the Commissioner is hereby authorized in this, concurrent, and future replies, to charge payment or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 02-2448 for any additional fees required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17; particularly, extension of time fees.

Respectfully submitted,

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